

REMARKS

Claims 23-36 are pending in this application. Claims 1-4, 13-15 and 20-22 have been withdrawn. Claims 5-12 and 16-19 have been canceled.

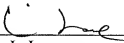
The previously pending claims were objected to as non-compliant. A new set of claims is submitted herewith, which is believed to constitute a compliant amendment.

The claims were previously rejected in view of one or more of JP 2000-062672 to Motoo ("Motoo"), U.S. Patent No. 645,145 to Trebert ("Trebert"), DE 4313832 to Mueller ("Mueller"), U.S. Patent No. 4,438,942 to Hon ("Hon"), Fan, U.S. Patent No. 4,582,335 to Paioli et al. ("Paioli") and U.S. Patent No. 4,441,729 to Underwood ("Underwood"). It is respectfully submitted that these references do not teach or suggest handlebars rotated downward, the downward position positioning at least a portion of each said handlebar between the seat tube and the bearing tube, as recited in independent claims 23 and 30.

It is believed that all objections and rejections in the application have been addressed and that the present application is in condition for allowance. A favorable reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims is solicited. If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this and concurrent replies to charge payment (or credit any overpayment) to Deposit Account No. 50-2298 for any additional required fees.

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